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¶1. (SBU) Currently, ratification of the UNESCO Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions is not on the Brazilian Congress' agenda. With the attention of the legislative branch diverted to the ongoing influence peddling scandal and the upcoming October 2006 elections, and the focus of the media and the public on the soccer World Cup in July, we doubt that Convention will be voted on this calendar year.

¶2. (U) Post will keep Washington agencies informed should the situation here change.

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